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## AN ACT CONCERNING THE TEMPORARY FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND THE PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT RECEIPT OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) The Commissioner of Social
- 2 Services shall conduct a study of the temporary family assistance
- 3 program, established under section 17b-112 of the general statutes.
- 4 Such study shall determine the impact of (1) allowing a recipient of
- 5 benefits under the program who accepts employment within the first
- 6 twenty-one months of receiving benefits to continue to receive a
- 7 benefit equivalent to the difference between such recipient's wages
- 8 earned and one hundred and fifty per cent of the federal poverty level
- 9 for a period not to exceed twelve months, and (2) providing a one-time
- 10 payment of one thousand dollars to any former recipient of benefits
- 11 under the program who was not employed during the period he or she
- 12 received such benefits but thereafter accepts employment.
- 13 (b) Not later than January 1, 2017, the Commissioner of Social
- 14 Services, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
- 15 general statutes, shall report the results of the study conducted
- 16 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the joint standing
- 17 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
- 18 relating to labor, human services and appropriations and the budgets

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19 of state agencies.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 from passage New section

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